



JESUS-CENTRED, SPIRIT-LED, HOPE REVEALED'

The Salvation Army Australia Territory has issued a 'rallying cry' as a callback to its Army roots.

The rallying cry is 'Jesus-centred, Spirit-led, hope revealed'. The rallying cry isn't intended to add even more to our mission, vision, and values, but instead serves as a measure to draw them all together as we ask ourselves in all we do:

'Is Jesus central to this?'
'Where is the Spirit leading us?'
'Where am I seeing hope revealed?'

JESUS-CENTRED

Jesus is our source. Jesus is our lifeforce. Jesus is our reason for living, loving, and fighting.

We live according to the ways of Jesus as outlined in the Gospel accounts. We love according to the example set throughout the Bible by the Saviour who laid his life down for us. We fight using spiritual discernment (Ephesians 6), by the power of our Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8) and not in our own strength or ways (Philippians 2:13).

SPIRIT LED

To be led by the Holy Spirit requires great discernment without distraction (Ephesians 5:1-25), discipline without detraction (Acts 15:28), and conviction that leads to action (Acts 2:1-37). Spiritual development, prayer and fasting, discipleship and accountability, prophetic gifts and testing of the word, time in teaching and learning, devotions, worship, retreats: whatever the practice, all of our ways must lead to listening to God and obeying God's voice as evidenced through the Holy Spirit

HOPE REVEALED

We are to be an 'Isaiah 61, Luke 4' people. The Spirit of the sovereign Lord is on us. We have to make sure, first and foremost, that this is true. We are to be 'oaks of righteousness' (Isaiah 61:3). The people of God have to put their roots down deep. They've got to be places where people want to come and shelter, where people find refuge, where we can sit and talk and explore together.

As we stay faithful to God's will and workings in The Salvation Army, whatever expression, mission, ministry and part of the movement we are in, we will truly live out our rallying cry, 'Jesus-centred, Spirit-led, hope revealed.' and share Good News. "Wherever there is hardship or injustice, Salvos will live, love and fight, alongside others, to transform Australia one life at a time with the love of Jesus." [Read more at https://www.salvosonline.org.au/news](https://www.salvosonline.org.au/news)

Sunday Connect Groups Returning May 12th

Please note no connect groups 26th May (due to Red Shield Appeal)

5th May Ministry Team only 9:15am time of prayer and planning

Starting 2nd Term Kids Ministry Connect Groups will move to during the church service only.

Sunday 26th Red Shield Appeal Sunday - There will still be a 10:30am worship service

Our National Vision

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Salvos will live, love and fight
alongside others
to transform Australia one life at a time
with the love of Jesus



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GIVE
we give of our time & resources
"We are more happy when we give
than when we receive" Acts 20:35

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Equipped For Battle

A look at The Salvation Army Doctrines



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Over the coming months we will be focusing on the 11 Salvation Army doctrines. These are our statements of faith if you like. They unite the International Salvation Army. They are for everyone who calls The Salvation Army church home.

I have taken this from our Handbook of Doctrines:

Some people may wonder why Salvationists place such emphasis upon a written statement of faith. At the heart of Christianity is the believer's relationship with Jesus Christ, which is deeply personal and may often elude definition. Yet it is also inescapably communal and will flourish best in fellowship with other believers. Through the centuries the Church has learned to express the common experience of faith, in ways that are consistent with the biblical witness, in creeds and statements of faith.

For Salvationists, belief and action have always been intertwined. Our faith and practice are rooted in the Bible, personal experience, and the Christian heritage. Salvation Army doctrine is part of that heritage, and it too is built upon the foundation of the biblical text as interpreted by the people of God.

Doctrine is therefore the teaching of the Church. It is an expanded explanation of faith, founded on Scripture and developed from the creeds. The Salvation Army's 11 Articles of Faith (Doctrines) are an expression both of personal faith and a common vision. They are consistent with the classical Christian creeds and identify Salvationists as members of the body of Christ on earth.

The doctrines explore and define our understanding of God, humanity, and the developing relationship of the Christian life, and are best understood when this pattern is kept in mind. They are unique to The Salvation Army, yet they share a common emphasis with other Christian traditions. They are the foundation of faith, providing a benchmark which helps us to interpret and judge experience in order that we might best live our faith in our own context.

You are able to download a free PDF copy of the Handbook of Doctrine at <https://www.salvationarmy.org/doctrine/handbookdoctrine>



Many of you would have received an email about some new training.

All volunteers who work in Child-facing roles or are in Leadership roles are now being asked to complete (even if you have only recently completed the old training) the new **Safeguarding@TSA Advanced** training which replaced the old **Safeguarding Principles training**.

If you have any concerns or questions, please reach out for support

May Newsletter

Welfare reopens on Tuesday May 7 (11am-1pm). It is important people looking for help call the new welfare number first.

We are hoping to develop Tuesdays into a community connect day with different Salvo Services onsite.

We will be adding a community lunch on Tuesdays as well over the coming months.

If you would like to help out please let us know



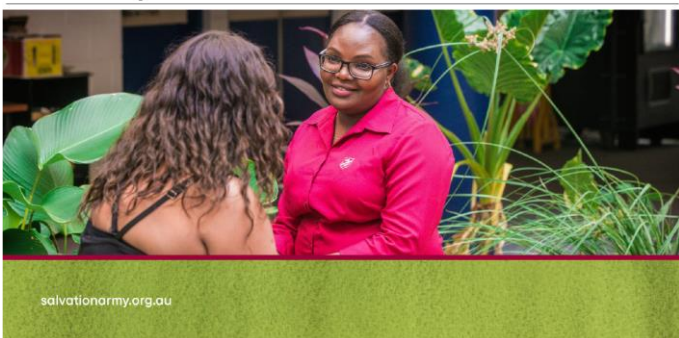
If you require **welfare assistance** to support you through a crisis, please call the

Salvos Phone Assistance Line:

02 8775 7987

Monday to Friday
between 9am and 4pm

They will then advice collect details



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UNITED
COMBINED YOUTH NIGHT

7PM
FRI 17 MAY
GUNGALIN SALVOS
DINNER PROVIDED

TALK TO YOUR YOUTH LEADER OR CORPS OFFICER FOR MORE INFO

Pentecost 2024

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13, NRSVA

PENTECOST SUNDAY MAY 19TH

To help celebrate Pentecost we encourage everyone to wear something **RED** to church on May 19th

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

AUSTRALIA PRAYS

Be still and know that I am God

Psalm 46: 10 - 11 *Be still and know that I am God; I will be exalted in the Earth. The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.*

18 MAY 2024 | 10 AM - 4 PM

Join with Christian leaders and churches of all denominations in your region to pray, celebrate and give glory to God on the National Day of Prayer. We encourage you to organise your own local celebration. These local observances will be linked via Zoom, with an official prayer and communion service from 1pm - 2pm AEST.

A time to adore and worship God together, and to listen to His heart for Australia.
A time to celebrate our unity, oneness, and love for each other (Psalm 133:1).
A time to pray for leaders in all spheres of society and for all the people of Australia (Timothy 2:1-4).
A time to proclaim the victory of the cross and to release the evangelists and harvesters across Australia for the Revival fires to be kindled.
A time of joyous celebration because of the hope we have found in Jesus (Psalm 48:1-7).

REGISTER HERE: www.australiaprays.com.au



**HELP NEEDED
MAY 20th – 26th**

**Red Shield collecting
around Gungahlin**

Rosters available

RED SHIELD COLLECTING
2 hour shifts

Amaroo Coles (24-26th May 9-5)
Casey Market Town (24-26th May 9-5)
Bunnings (18-19 and 25-26 May 9-5)
Gungahlin Market Place (23-26th May 9-5)
Coles - Gungahlin Village (20-26th May 9-5) * TBC we are having some issues getting this locked in and confirmed)

RED SHIELD SUNDAY MAY 26th

There will still be a 10:30am worship service this Sunday for those not involved in Red Shield Collecting. The message will be a prerecorded video message.

Red Shield Appeal TV special

To celebrate 60 years of the Red Shield Appeal, we've partnered with Channel 7 to air a Salvos Red Shield Appeal TV Special on Sunday the 5th of May at 1pm AEST. Join long-time Salvos ambassadors Joe Hildebrand and Samantha Jade as they visit William Booth House, Foster House, Oasis and Streetlevel Mission, to reflect the incredible work of the Salvos across different missional streams around the country. If you can't tune in on the May 5th, it can be streamed on demand on 7Plus.



Coffee
Connection

Friday May 31
10am
Cafe Injoy @ Gold Creek

RSVP to church office by 26th May



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